

Subject: Support for Substitute **SB 422: An Act Concerning Residential Water Rates, Public Drinking Water Supply Emergencies and the Sellers of Bottled Water**

To: pdtestimony@cga.ct.gov

To: Senator Osten and Representative Miller and the other Members of the Planning and Development Committee,

I am writing to express my support for SB 422. Our water is one of our most important and valuable resources. It is a basic human right. It is my position that it should NOT be privatized. I therefore do not support having a bottling plant in Bloomfield, CT. I was horrified to find out that this deal was made without public support. With climate change and drought conditions projected for the State of Connecticut, it is ridiculous to allow a private water bottling company to have access to the very resource that allows for the survival of our growing community.

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